RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB.

SEASON 1900.

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ANNUAL MEETING—TOWN HALL, MONDAY, 25TH MARCH.

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TO THE MEMBERS.

It is with very great pleasure that we present for your approval the Annual Report and Balance-Sheet, together with a Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the past season.

PAST SEASON.

The season of 1900 will long be remembered as one of the most successful in the history of the Club, both from a financial as well as a football point of view. The team was a fine and a powerful one, and by their brilliant victories they earned for themselves the respect of every club upon the Association. By dogged and scientific play they placed their club in a prominent position, namely, third upon the list. This, gentlemen, is something to be proud of.

The number of goals kicked was 69. The goal-kickers are as follows:—G. Backhouse, 15; H. Milne, 11; A. Davidson, 7; C. Bahen, 7; A. Lott, 6; J. Parker, 6; A. McNair, 4; C. Backhouse, 4; J. McCall, 2; E. O'Neil, 2; C. Taylor, 1; W. Carkeek, 1; J. Cathie, 1; J. Edmunds, 1; J. Swift, 1

We won 10 matches and lost 6.

FINANCIAL.

The financial position is certainly very pleasing. Starting the season with a credit balance of £15, we finish up with the magnificent sum of £82 1s. 2d. And the Committee did not spare money in order to bring their club to the front, in the way of a trip to Kyneton, smoke nights and euchre parties, and presenting each player with a fine group of photos.

COMMITTEE.

The very highest praise must be accorded to the members of Committee. These gentlemen have thrown their very heart into their work, and the magnificent position of your club, gentlemen, is the result of their sturdy efforts. There were 25 meetings held, of which C. Bahen attended 24, E. J. Sexton 23, F. Wright 23, W. J. Bicknell 22, J. Coverlid 20, P. E. Comport 20, P. N. Sevier 17, W. Brown 15, T. Watson 16, J. Sevier 14, C. Backhouse 12, and G. Beachcroft 24.

NEW DRESSING ROOM.

Our present dressing room being totally inadequate for the team, the Committee intend taking steps to build a new one. This, it will be agreed, is a wise step to take, and one that we feel sure will be endorsed by the members and heartily appreciated by the players.

THANKS.

The Committee desire to thank Dr. Murray Morton for his kindness in attending to the injuries of the players during the season. We also sincerely thank Messrs. John McLauchlan, Hugh Slattery, A. Haddrick, and other gentlemen who so generously assisted us in making the gift distribution such a splendid success.

SOCIALLY.

The Committee intend doing all that lay in their power to make the coming season enjoyable from a social point of view. The trip to Kyneton being such a splendid success, it has been decided to give the players another trip, most likely in June, and no doubt it will be as enjoyable as the last one.

Smoke nights in the pavilion and euchre and quoit tournaments will be held, it being fully recognised that it is only by means of these little social functions off the field that a club such as ours can be successful.

NEW PLAYERS.

The prospects for the coming season are of the most brilliant character. Players of proved ability are eager to join and don the colors of the bonny Yellow and Black, and no doubt, with the combined efforts of the members, supporters, and the team, we will have a most prosperous and successful season.

On behalf of the Committee,

Yours very sincerely,

GEORGE BEACHCROFT,

25th March, 1901.

Hon. Secretary.